TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1313 - HB 1421

March 5, 2021

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits a school from requiring or forcing a student to receive a COVID-19 immunization or taking adverse action against a student who is not immunized. Establishes that schools found in violation are subject to civil penalties. Authorizes schools to immunize a student against COVID-19 if certain conditions are met.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-6-5001 allows for student exemptions from immunization requirements to attend public schools due to homelessness, religious tenets, or medical reasons.
- Schools currently follow immunization requirements and exceptions established in Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-5001 and the additional requirements included in the proposed legislation will not significantly impact processes or procedures for schools. It is assumed that all schools will comply with the proposed COVID-19 immunization requirements to avoid potential assessment of civil penalties; therefore, any fiscal impact to local government will be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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